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REMARKS

The undersigned wishes to extend appreciation to Examiner Bertheaud for the courtesies extended in a telephone interview of August 13, 2007. The substance of that telephonic interview is hereby confirmed and expanded upon.

Examiner Bertheaud agreed that Wang '290 and Wang '390 did not disclose a gauge. Examiner Bertheaud also agreed that Wu ' 264 did not disclose the structure of the present invention, but indicated that the claims did not sufficiently define the invention as the nozzle set of Wu '264 was connected to the second joint via the gauge set. Although the undersigned disagreed with the Examiner's contentions, the Examiner indicated that if the claims recited that the second joint is in direct communication with the nozzle set and with the garage set, the claims would distinguish over the prior art.

Thus in a spirit of conciliation, claims 1 and 14 have been amended in a manner believed desired by Examiner Bertheaud to distinguish over the prior art. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Claims 21 and 22 have been added further defining the present invention to even further distinguish over the prior art. Thus, it is respectfully submitted that claims 21 and 22 and the claims which depend therefrom are in condition for allowance for this separate and independent reason. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

It is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance. However as Examiner Bertheaud agreed that the prior art did not disclose the present invention, it is respectfully submitted that any obstacles to allowance are definitional in nature which can best be resolved by negotiation. Thus, if the Examiner does not believe the application is in condition for allowance, it is respectfully requested that the undersigned be contacted by telephone.

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